TUJUNGA WASH
ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION PHASE II

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Tujunga Wash is a nine-mile concrete rectangular channel that conveys runoff from Hansen Dam to the Los Angeles River. The Tujunga Wash Ecosystem Restoration Project is a collaborative effort between the Los Angeles County Flood Control District and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to restore both sides of the Tujunga Wash channel between Vanowen Street and Sherman Way.

This project will create a new naturalized stream that will meander along the west bank of the channel. Both banks will include pedestrian walkways, seating areas, native and drought-tolerant landscaping, and new entryways. This project will greatly enhance the environment by providing more than 10 acres of open space in an area that significantly lacks this resource. The project will also restore riparian habitat and serve as a model for a sustainable and healthy stream system in a dense, urban setting.

The Corps of Engineers, under Section 1135 of the Water Resources Development Act, performed a reconnaissance study and determined the project was eligible for Federal participation and funding. Under this program, the Corps of Engineers is funding 75 percent and the Flood Control District is funding 25 percent of the total project costs. Construction of the project was completed in July 2012 with a total project cost of approximately $7 million.

Phase II Project site before construction

Phase I Project—Completed 2007

This project is an extension of the Tujunga Wash Greenway and Stream Restoration Phase I between Vanowen Street and Oxnard Street and was completed in 2007. In total, both projects will provide over 1 .75 miles of enhanced Flood Control right-of-way.